

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached new sheets of drawings are described in material added to the substitute specification submitted herein. Applicant believes the new sheets of drawings don't add new matter. The new sheets of drawings correspond to drawings incorporated by reference in the original application.

Attachment: 3 New Sheets of Drawings.

REMARKS

Claims 1-25 and 27-37 remain in the application. Claims 1-25 and 27-37 were rejected.

Submission of Substitute Specification

Please enter the substitute specification submitted herewith in accordance with 37 CFR 1.125(b). A copy of the substitute specification without markings and a copy of the substitute specification with markings is submitted with this paper. Applicant believes the substitute specification doesn't add any new matter.


The paragraphs 22-24, and 72-84 are added to the substitute specification as compared to the original specification. These paragraphs are copied from U.S. patent application "09/746, 944." This application is previously incorporated by reference in the specification of the current application at paragraph 10 in U.S. publication 2002/0138594 of the current application. In paragraphs 22-24 and 72-84 references to figure numbers have been changed to be consistent with the current application.

Rejections to the specification and under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Examiner believes claim amendments filed in the previous office action are not supported in the specification and hence are new matter. Hence, the claim amendments were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph as failing to meet the written description requirement. For the purposes of clarification, Applicant has submitted a substitute specification including material incorporated by reference in the original application. Applicant believes at least the additional material included in the substitute specification, which is inherent part of the original disclosure via incorporation by reference, provide support for the claim amendments meeting the written description requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 112. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to withdraw the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112 and consider the previously filed amendments for further prosecution.

Applicant believes that all pending claims are allowable and respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance for this application from the Examiner. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the undersigned can be reached at the telephone number set out below.

Respectfully submitted,
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